

# CHARLES M. RUSSELL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE COMMUNITY WORKING GROUP MEETING

10:00 am — 3:00 pm, Thurs, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
Fort Peck Interpretive Center  
Fort Peck, Mt

- 10:00 Welcome & Grounding Question – Bill Milton
- 10:10 Self-Introductions and Answers to Grounding Question – All Participants
- 10:20 **Meet and Greet with Paul Santavy, New Refuge Manager for the CMR NWR**  
*Each working group member will provide a BRIEF introduction to their group and why they are involved in the CMR CWG.*
- 10:45 **Breakout Groups for 3-Part Goal**  
*Small groups will address the draft 3-part goal that was created at the December meeting and further refine the goals into a mission or vision statement.*
- 12:00 Lunch Break – Lunch available for **\$7.00** (*correct change is appreciated*).
- 1:00 Introduction to sage grouse partners and open discussion of opportunities to create something unique on the landscape using sage grouse as a vehicle, not an end goal for the region
- 2:30 **Call for the question from Bill**  
What are our action items before next meeting, formation of sub-committees
- Date for next meeting
- 3:00 Adjourn

*Sage grouse are not the sole focus of the group, but this species connects us all through the landscape that they utilize. In turn, each of us are interconnected in the collective contribution to conserving the species through the land that we manage. Land and the habitat is the one element that we can positively affect for the good of this species. By addressing this BEFORE the ruling is made on sage grouse, we can proactively ensure that our communities and way of life are protected, along with the wildlife we all cherish. – Rachel Frost*